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2. Goals

• Start of the project: October 2020

• Development of digital teaching and learning materials for universities on varieties of English

• Open Educational Resources
3. Structure & Content

- **Level 1**: Understand
- **Level 2**: Describe
- **Level 3**: Teach

Varieties of English
Level 1
Listening comprehension with questions

American English
British English
Nigerian English
South African English
Scottish English

Level 2
Linguistic description

Level 3
Didactic usage scenarios

World Englishes
• 2 different types of material:
  • For lecturers (“raw material“, audio/video + transcript, database)
  • For students (H5P units, mix of input and activities)
• Levels: 1 (beginner) – 3 (advanced)
  • List of parameters to determine difficulty (number of speakers, topics, background noise etc.)
  • Used for Understand
4. Open Educational Resources

• OER operate on the level of the 5Rs:
  • **Retain** – make, own, and control the resource
  • **Reuse** – use your original, revised or remixed copy
  • **Revise** – edit, adapt, modify your resource
  • **Remix** – combine your original or revised copy of the resource with other existing material to create something new
  • **Redistribute** – share your resource with others

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4.1 Why H5P?

• Tool to create interactive content
  • Variety of activities: quizzes, presentations, videos, timelines...
• Integration in Moodle 3.9, compatible with all current LMS (e.g. Ilias)
• Content can be downloaded and easily imported in your own Moodle course
• Why H5P?
  • User-friendly, sustainable, reusable, adaptable
4.2 ORCA.nrw

- **Open Resources Campus** of North Rhine-Westphalia
- Portal as platform and network
- Information and services for e-learning
- For teachers/lecturers and students
- Goal: free teaching/learning material with quality assurance (OER) for universities and exchange of ideas
- Launched on 14th September 2021 > [https://orca.nrw](https://orca.nrw)
4.3 Examples

• Excerpt Describing American English
  o Yod-dropping

• More examples for you to try out:* 

  *The material will be available until 9th October 2021
  o Introduction to South African English(es)
  o Understanding Scottish English: Advanced Level
  o Understanding British English: Basic Level
  o Understanding South African English: Intermediate Level
  o Describing Nigerian English: Lexicon

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5. Next steps

- Evaluation
- Collect more data/speech samples
- Develop more material
- Publication of the material
  - Upload to ORCA.nrw platform
6. Discussion
Thank you for your attention!

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